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SUBJECT: TRANSPORT OF PRISONERS BY AIR FROM BERLIN

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WE HAVE LEARNED THAT HESSE RECENTLY AGREED TO ACCEPT TWO FEMALE PRISONERS CONNECTED WITH BAADER-MEINHOF GANG WHO ARE SERVING SENTENCES IN BERLIN. SENAT HAS BEEN SEEKING FOR SOME TIME TO GET HELP FROM FEDERAL LAENDER IN REDUCING CONCENTRATION OF TERRORIST-CONNECTED PRISONERS HERE, AND HESSE HAD PREVIOUSLY EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO TAKE ONE. SENAT'S INFORMAL SOUNDINGS INDICATED ALLIED CARRIERS WOULD BE RELUCTANT TO TRANSPORT SUCH A PRISONER ON REGULAR COMMERCIAL FLIGHT, AND SENAT CONSIDERED COST OF CHARTER EXORBITANT FOR TRANSPORT OF SINGLE PRISONER. NOW THAT HESSE HAS AGREED TO TAKE TWO PRISONERS, SENAT WILL UNDERTAKE TO FIND PRIVATE CHARTER AND ACCOMPLISH TRANSFER WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS. AT THIS POINT WE WOULD NOT EXPECT THERE WOULD BE ANY NEED FOR ALLIED MISSIONS TO BECOME INVOLVED IN FACILITATING TRANSFER.GEORGE

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